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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 3, 2003, please amend the above identified U.S. patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 8 and 11 as shown on the following pages.

Marked-up copies of the original text of the amended claims are attached to this amendment. Material inserted is indicated by underlining (insertion) and material deleted is indicated by bracketing ([deletion]).